

## HCBS Reform Community Forums Fall 2016

### Thursday, November 10, 2016 – Kodiak

#### Comments/Questions/Input

- People have problems reaching DPA, no response. Kodiak Senior Center is doing a part of DPA's job for concerned seniors in terms of accessing DPA.
- Glad to hear that SDS will look to advancing technology as it relates to 1915 K.
- The decision for SDS to change to a new assessment tool is a good one. We do not like the existing assessment tools.
- We are concerned that some of our basic services for seniors on Kodiak Island are in jeopardy with the current fiscal crisis with the State of Alaska.
- The majority of the forum participants support the HCBS reform efforts within SB 74.
- Happy to see that the Division is considering changing level of care to allow those with ADRD cognitive issues with needs for supervision and cueing but with no significant medical conditions or services to meet their needs.
- Interested to see how other states have implemented 1915 K and if they were successful.
- Will the reform efforts make it more difficult to quality for HCBS services?
- Do we have enough capacity when it comes to Care Coordinators?
- We appreciate Director Mayes traveling to Kodiak to talk to us.
- We appreciate the formation of the Inclusive Community Choices Council as a vehicle to discuss these proposed changes to HCBS.
- What are the timelines to implement these options?
- Make sure your processes are streamlined. Currently, there are too many hoops to jump through.
- We are very concerned with our ADRD population in that it is growing beyond what is offered currently within the DHSS.